

# PARADISE LOST,

AND

## PARADISE REGAINED,

By the wonderful Works of God.

S H E W I N G

How his heavenly Majesty was graciously pleased to create Heaven and Earth; also, How he made Man, and placed him in the Garden of Eden. How God formed him a Mate out of one of his Ribs; also, How Satan tempted Eve to eat the forbidden Fruit.

How Adam and Eve were driven out of Paradise; also, the Curse of God denounced against them and their Posterity, for this their Transgression.

God seeing the Sins of the World grow too great, caused it to rain forty Days and forty Nights, and the World was destroyed by Water.

How our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ took upon him the Nature of Man, and came into the World to save lost and undone Souls.





## The CREATION of the WORLD.

**A**LL christian people now attend,  
A worthy poem I have penn'd,  
Relating how this world began,  
And also the first race of man.

When God did Earth and Heaven create,  
The waters he divided strait:  
All by his mighty blessed hand,  
Thus God divided sea and land.

God gave command and there was light  
The Sun by day the moon by night;  
The Stars and Planets too withal,  
Were placed in the spacious ball.

The cattle, beasts, and birds with wings,  
And every kind of creeping things,  
All fruits and herbs that yeild their seed,  
Were by the hand of God decreed.

God saw' twas good, and lik'd it well,  
As we from Holy Writ may tell;  
God, in six days we understand,  
Perform'd the work he took in hand.

For when the sixth day was begun,  
God said, Come let us now make man  
In our own image he shall be,  
To glorify our majesty.

Man created, and Woman taken out of his  
Side, being placed in the Garden of *Eden*.

**T**HE man was made upright and fair,  
For to adorn the heavenly air;  
God having breathed on the same,  
Man strait a living soul became.

The seventh day our Lord did rest,  
Which day he sanctify'd and blest;  
To keep it holy we therefore  
Should every one his name adore.

Thus man was fram'd out of the dust,  
And Adam named at the first;  
Then every thing which God had fram'd,  
He gave to Adam to be nam'd.

Adam nam'd them as he thought fit,  
The Lord was pleas'd, and lik'd of it  
And then did make this strict degree  
All things to man should subject be.

In Eden's garden plac'd there,  
Adorn'd with trees of fruits most rare:  
God gave these fruits to Adam's will;  
Save that of knowing good or ill.

God said, man is alone, I see,  
A help-mate now for him must be;  
God took one of his ribs we know,  
And formed him a mate also.

Now when the Lord he had her fram'd,  
Woman by Adam she was nam'd;

Saying, This is flesh and bone of me;  
So man and wife one flesh must be.

Before the world created was,  
Satan rebelled against God's Laws.  
Legions of angels with him fell,  
For pride, down to the lake of Hell.

The Fall of Man by Adam and Eve eating  
the forbidden Fruit.

**B**Ecause the Lord did him deny,  
Man's happiness he did envy;  
He thought the world to overthrow,  
And bring man to his gulph of woe.

The Serpent then, I do protest,  
More subtil was than any beast;  
With Eve he held a long dispute,  
To taste of the forbidden fruit.

The Serpent said be rul'd by me;  
And pluck the fruit from of the tree:  
You'll be as Gods then, said the Devil,  
And you will know both good and evil.

She pluck'd the fruit, it tasted sweet,  
And gave to Adam for to eat;  
The which did all their glory blast,  
They out of paradise where cast.

God said, the woman shall be still  
Subject unto her husband's will;  
Also, I will decree, that thou



Shalt work with sweat upon thy brow.  
 Nevertheless, the woman's seed  
 Shall break the Serpent's head, indeed;  
 And thou shalt bruise his heel: Behold,  
 Thus was Our Saviour's birth foretold.

Cain slaying his Brother Abel.

**T**WO sons had Adam by his wife,  
 Laden with trouble, care, and strife,  
 Both Cain and Abel, and I say,  
 Cain, being the eldest, bore the sway.

For, Cain, a wretched sinful man,  
 The first of murders he began:  
 He did obey the Devil's will.  
 His brother Abel's blood to spill.

God was offended very sore,  
 And set a mark on Cain therefore.  
 Murder doth cry, we do record  
 Aloud for vengeance to the Lord.

The world increased full of evil,  
 Men took delight to serve the Devil  
 Seeing man's ways, the Lord began  
 To grieve that he at first made man.

*God drowns all the World, except Noah, and what was in  
 the Ark with him.*

**M**AN's wickedness did God annoy,  
 He said, I will all flesh destroy,  
 Full forty days I'll cause a rain,

That no flesh may alive remain.

But Noah and his family,  
In favour were with God most high :  
Three Sons he had when the flood came,  
Shem, Ham, and Japhet call'd by name.

God gave command, as he thought good,  
To build an Ark of Gopher-wood :  
I shall declare from Holy Writ,  
The length, the breadth, the height of it.

'Twas pitch'd, and made secure and strong,  
And full three hundred cubits long,  
Full thirty high, and fifty wide,  
A door was placed on the side.

Full stories three, as we do write,  
A window made to give them light :  
God then thought fit to save the lives  
Of Noah, his wife, his sons, their wives.

The ark, in building, it appears  
Was the space of an hundred years ;  
Both male and female of each kind,  
All in the ark, preserv'd, we find.

Above the highest hills we know,  
This mighty flood overflow ;  
And bore the ark up by the same,  
That they might praise God's holy name.

*How the Ark rested after the Waters were gone off the Earth.*

**I**N the sixth month, to give account,  
The Ark it rested on the Mount ;

Then Noah saw the Rain was ceas'd,  
And that the Waters; were decreas'd.

Now when the Flood was more declin'd,  
He sent a Raven forth, we find,  
And next a Dove, who stay'd short space;  
For they could find no resting place.

Then he once more sent forth the same,  
Back with an Olive-leaf it came;  
His Joy was then exceeding great,  
Finding the Water did abate.

He sent his Dove but to the plain,  
It never more return'd again;  
A Twelve-month's space, or very nigh,  
It was before the Earth was dry.

God said to Noah, come forth in peace,  
And let all things once more increase:  
God plac'd his Bow, to shew therefore,  
That he the World would Drown no more.

The World was multiply'd once more,  
But full of Evil, as before;

They rather chose much greater Evil,  
And took delight to serve the Devil.

For at this time they were so vile,  
Their Daughters dear for to defile:

This great Abomination was,  
Unto God's Righteous Holy laws.

**S**OME holy righteous Men there were,  
That Glorifi'd the Lord by pray'r:  
God blest'd their seed, and did afford,  
Them Gifts to Preach his Holy word.

And For these Righteous People's sake,  
God did on us compassion take;

And sent his Son on Earth we find,  
To take the Nature of Mankind.

To tell you true, all must have fell,  
Down to the lowest Pit of Hell,

Had not our Saviour Christ been slain,  
Man's blest Salvation to obtain.

When buried, down to Hell he past,  
To triumph, and chain Satan fast:  
He goes no farther than his chain.  
The third Day Christ did rise again.

Christ is ascended up to Heaven,  
The comforter to us is given:  
One God's divided into three,  
Without which none can saved be.

Address yourselves to Christ Divine,  
And in this blest Communion join;  
Shake off your Sins, your Life renew,  
Be one with Christ, and Christ with you.

A Christian's Duty I'll impart,  
To bear no Malice in their Heart;  
But love his Neighbours as himself,  
And never covet worldly Wealth.

Endeavour still ne'er to transgress,  
And shun the Sin of Drunkenness;  
When such a filthy Sin takes Place,  
All other Sins come on apace.

So to conclude and make an End,  
Help us Lord for to amend;  
That when our sinful Bodies die,  
Our Souls may reign with Christ on High.

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